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COOKE WINS FROM YOUNG DOWNEY IN SIX ROUNDS

Local lovers of the "manly art" enjoyed a fast six round boxing match between Walter Cooke and Young Downey, here last Friday night. The contestants were quite evenly matched but it was generally conceded that Cooke had the best of it throughout the six rounds. Two preliminaries furnished a great deal of amusement for the crowd.

The first of the two preliminaries was announced as being between Poncho Villa and Gen. Obregon. The participants were both under sixteen years of age but put up a very lively bout. The judges called the match a draw.

The second preliminary which also resulted in a draw was staged between Jack Johnson now portering incog. at the Grand Canyon Hotel and Carpenter now crossing the continent under the cognomen of Kid Groven. Jack weighed 135 and Groven 105. Groven had experience to make up what he lacked in weight. While the judges declared the bout a draw, the general opinion seemed to be that Groven's experience more than made up for what he lacked in weight and gave him a little the best of it.

The six rounds between Downey and Cooke were full of interest from start to finish. Downey packs a good wallop as also does Cooke. Cooke seemed to be a little longer in the arms and succeeded in keeping off most of Downey's blows. Downey, on the other hand was quite vulnerable to blows from the left and seemed unable to ward off Cooke's right hand kidney punch. Downey suffered considerable punishment while Cooke came thru with hardly a scratch outside of a bloody nose, although he was hit several times. The judges gave the decision to Cooke.

Young Downey is from Winslow and is now working on the water service here. Cooke is a brakeman on the Grand Canyon run and played on the Williams Ball Team last summer. The attendance at the fight was fairly good. All present seemed pleased with the matches and it is predicted that another bout would draw much more strongly. It is possible that a match may be arranged soon between Cooke and a boxing champion from Ash Fork.

Jackie Coogan Delights All.

A large number of children, old and young, attended the matinee of Jackie Coogan in "Trouble" given at the Sultana Theatre Tuesday afternoon. Jackie was at his best. All who enjoyed the privilege of seeing him were delighted with the performance and may be banked on to be present at any other of his productions. The matinee was given for the benefit of the children in particular and was certainly fully enjoyed by all of them. Practically every child in Williams was present at the performance.

Methodist Episcopal Church W. T. LOOMIS, Pastor

The public might be interested to know that Mrs. McLeese with her splendid class of girls won the first place in the six weeks contest and were well cared for thru the courtesy of Mr. Kirwan, Jerry Lee and Mrs. Cole, who contributed to their physical comforts. The girls were given a party at the McLeese home Tuesday. The class of Miss Aphra Anderson won second place and are grateful to Mrs. F. O. Polson, Mrs. Loomis and Mr. Lee for their contributions towards their close second. The class was given a social hour at the church Thursday afternoon with Miss Jagard as chaperone.

New plans for the coming year will soon be presented to the entire school for a progressive work.

You will always be welcome to all departments of our church work, and those not worshipping elsewhere will find a real church home with us.

If you know a news item just call 44 and let the News tell the others.

SKYLIGHT BANDIT LEAVES WAKE ACROSS STATE

The "Skylight" bandit who replenished his stock from the Babbitt store in Williams a week ago, paid similar visits to other towns in the state, according to advices from the offices of the county sheriff and county attorney. The first robbery of this nature appears to have taken place at Yuma. The trail leads thru the state with stops at Phoenix, Williams, Winslow and other points. In each case the robbery was made in the same manner as in Williams and with lucrative results for the robber in every case.

Deputy Sheriff Cy Campbell found a suit of clothes and a suit case left by the robber in Williams. The suit was an old one and was exchanged for one of the best that the stock at Babbitt's could supply. It showed the robber to be of small stature. In addition to the suit of clothes left behind was a necktie and a few other articles that bore the mark of a store in Yuma.

LIVESTOCK AND RANGE REPORT

That abundant sunshine and absence of stormy weather has done much to maintain range stock in a fair to good condition is the substance of telegraphic information from reporters in Arizona and western New Mexico to the weather bureau office in Phoenix. No precipitation has fallen during the week and winter ranges are entirely free from snow. Storms earlier in the month have improved ranges to some extent and stock water appears to be adequate in most sections. The weather in the south continued to be mild and the reporter at Douglas states that the range shows green in protected spots. Desert and valley ranges are improving under the influence of the mild daytime temperatures.

Crop Progress in Arizona

With maximum temperatures averaging slightly above 72 degrees and 100 per cent of the possible sunshine the past week in southern valleys was very favorable to all forms of agricultural activity. While the clear nights affected a rapid radiation of the day's heat resulting in cool to frosty morning temperatures, little damage has resulted. Picking of the season's Pima cotton crop is being rapidly completed and stalk cutting is now well under way though as yet not general. Hardly matured sufficiently before caught by the freeze of November 4th-5th, short staple bolls are not opening as might be expected under normal conditions. Rather than delay longer, growers are now pulling these unopened bolls which, when specially ginned, produce marketable lint. The cool nights and warm days are ideal for lettuce; the plants are developing rapidly into sweet firm heads that are harvested as soon as ready to supply an active market. Garden truck in Yuma section is in very good shape generally; harvesting of peas is not heavy owing to rather slow filling of pods.

Mr. Edwards Severely Injured.

A large dog running along the streets last week up set Mr. J. V. Edwards, who fell to the pavement with such force that a serious injury to his hip was sustained and he has been confined to his bed since. It is feared that his recovery will be a matter of some time as the nerves and muscles of the hip were badly injured. Mr. Edwards has a host of friends in Williams who extend to him their sympathies in this, his misfortune, and hope the time of convalescence will pass as quickly and pleasantly as possible for him, who has always been such a jovial good fellow with everyone.

FOR QUICK SALE

All of my furniture and rugs, 1 heating stove, 1 range, 2 Victrolas, 3 rifles, 1 shot gun. Inquire at residence C. K. WICKENS,

Start the New Year right by paying your subscription to the News, in advance.

CURETON MEETS WITH SCHOOL EXECUTIVES

Prof. T. H. Cureton left Wednesday to attend the meeting of Arizona High School Executives, which is being held in Globe. All superintendents and principals of High Schools within the state are expected to be present. The main topic for discussion by the conference is that of proposed changes in the High School course of study for Arizona.

At the Teachers' Association meeting held in Phoenix during Thanksgiving week, it was urged that studies of citizenship such as civics, economics and social science, should replace Latin in the course of study. Latin has been rapidly losing place in the schools of the state and of the nation for the past twenty years until now there is scarcely any demand for it. As an elective study in the course it is left unchosen in nearly all schools. It was further urged at the Phoenix conference that the high school course be arranged to train pupils for citizenship rather than merely prepare them to enter college. At the Globe conference a strong effort will be made to change the course of study accordingly.

No doubt the patrons of the Williams schools will be interested in reading the studies and credits offered in the Williams High School. These appear below:

Credits Given in Williams High School

English, 4, Required
Spanish, 2, Required.
Algebra, 1½, One year required.
Pl. Geometry, 1, Required
Solid Geometry, ½
Ancient History, ½
M & M History, 1
American History, 1, Required
Civics, ½, Required
Economics, ½, Required
General Science, 1
Physics, 1; Chemistry, 1; one required.
Bookkeeping, 1.
Typing, 1
Manual Training, 1
Domestic Art, 1
Music, 1
Physical Training, 1
Total 22.

Sixteen credits are required for graduation from the Williams High School. Eleven of these are required as appears above. The others are elective. No classes are given in elective subjects unless five or more pupils apply for the subject.

PLANS NEARLY COMPLETE FOR ROAD MEET

Springerville, Arizona, Dec. 29.—Gustav Becker, President of the Arizona Good Roads Association has today appointed Dr. A. J. Chandler to be in charge of the Committee on Resolutions at the annual meeting of the Arizona Good Roads Association to be held at Douglas, January 15th. Other appointments made by Mr. Becker are: Monte Mansfield of Tucson to be Chairman, Committee on Program, and Sam G. Baillie to have charge of the Committee on Credentials. Mr. Baillie will make every effort to have that committee present a full report by noon on the day of the meeting.

Each county will have one member on each of the committees, which are: Resolutions, Nominations, and Credentials, and all other Committees which may be appointed.

Each Board of Supervisors and City and Town is entitled to appoint five delegates; each Commercial Organization two delegates. All delegates must be present in person to vote. No proxies will be allowed. A large attendance is assured and some vigorous discussion is promised over the many subjects which will be presented by different speakers.

The City of Douglas is making ample preparation to receive and entertain all who attend this great meeting.

Try the News for anything you need in the way of printing.

METHODIST CHRISTMAS TREE A GREAT SUCCESS

The Christmas tree exercises given at the Methodist church Sunday night delighted a large audience and filled all the little folks with happiness. The exercises were given by the children from the primary grades up. All of the children did extremely well showing unusual talent both among themselves and on the part of those training them.

The cantata presented by pupils above the primary grades, was a very clever one and quite won the audience. The program in full appears below:

1. Greeting Song—Primary Department.
2. Recitation—Eoline Easton Tom Rittenhouse.
3. Xmas Tree Song—Primary girls in costume.
4. Recitation Drill, 'Christmas Gifts' John Hinton, Barbara Lockett, Howard Edwards, Helen Cole, Georgia Harris, Eunice Dial.
5. A word of welcome—Baby Billie Rhyon.
6. Xmas song—Elmer Brown.
7. Selection—'Christmas Long Ago' Grandma—Grace Sweetwood Grandpa—Dorolis Wright. Accompaniment—'Loves Old Sweet Song'.
8. A Frolic by Santa's Elves—Mrs. Startzman's and Mrs. Howe's classes.

Cantata, "Johnnie Doubter":
Teacher, Harriet Lebsch.
Johnnie Doubter, Clark Cole.
Santa Claus, Kenneth Lebsch.
Boot Black, Melvin Reese.
Newsie, Ernest Stelling.
Old Mother Hubbard, Zella Hudson.
Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe, Dean Rhyon.
Old Mother Goose, Anna Pizzuti.
Little Miss Nobody, Margaret Lee.
Fairie, Robby Wilder.
Uncle Sam, Junior Poole.
Johnny Bull, Max Hochgraef.
Alabama Coon, Charles Murray.
Jack Horner, Ernest Hudson.
Boy Blue, Clymer Jeffries.
Boo Peep, Muriel Loomis.
Jack, Charles Sweetwood.
Jill, Margaretta Way.

Accompanists of evening:

Miss Catherine Miller,
Miss Bertha Hoffman.

Chorus:

Mrs. McLeese's class of girls,
Directress, Mrs. J. Loomis.

Primary Assistants:

Mrs. M. Startzman,
Mrs. Chas. Sweetwood.

Day Old Chix—Golden Buff, Brown and White Leghorns, Anconas, Black Minorcas, Buff Orpingtons, R. I. Reds, Barred Rocks and Turkeys.

ENOCH CREWS, Seabright, Calif.

Moscow, Dec. 18.—As the gold ruble cannot at present be regarded as the real measure of value in Russia, a new ruble called the "goods ruble," corresponding to the value of certain kinds of goods is to be introduced as common currency.

Santa Honors Prof.

In expression of their esteem of Prof. Cureton the high school faculty members presented him with a very fine fountain pen last Friday during the Xmas program at the school house. A little later during the program Miss Pauline Jones, in behalf of the grade teachers, presented the popular superintendent with a handsome mantle clock, in due expression of their respect and appreciation of his services.

The Old Year has about drawn its curtain over all trials and struggles. The New Year will soon be ushered in with its hopes and aspirations, and may it come like the Treasure Ships of old, laden with all good things, and free from cares and troubles, is the wish of your friend at the Little Store.

K. C. KIRBY.

When you boost your home town you are boosting yourself too.

\$25.00 PRIZE FOR BEST MUSIC

The Musicians' club of Phoenix, has made announcement that will be of distinctive interest to many students of music in Arizona, for it is fostering a movement which augers well for the latent talent in the state. Twenty-five dollars in gold will be awarded to the composer of the best composition, the prize being known as the "Nora Seely Nichols Prize", in honor of the late Mrs. W. F. Nichols, founder of the Musicians' club of Phoenix. All compositions submitted must be written for piano or for voice, with piano accompaniment. Competitors must be residents of the State, having made Arizona their home for one year or longer, and being residents of Arizona at the time the composition was written. All compositions must be in manuscript form and must not have been performed in public. More than one composition may be submitted by any contestant.

The composer must use an assumed name on his manuscript, his correct name and address being enclosed in an attached, sealed envelope, on the outside of which the assumed name is written. This envelope must contain also postage for the return of manuscript, which will otherwise be destroyed, unless accepted, in which case it will be returned to the composer when the prize is awarded. The prize will be awarded Monday afternoon, March 5, at the regular meeting of the Musicians' club, the program for that day being devoted to compositions by American composers.

The chairman of the contest is Mrs. Charles Rothacker Sterling, Seventh and Osborn road, Phoenix. All compositions to be entered must be in the hands of the chairman of the contest by February 15. Judges will be selected by the official board of the Musicians' club. There will be three judges. Teachers or relatives of contestants will be ineligible to judge. Compositions will be judged for their musical content, style and musicianship.

Entertains Teachers.

Mrs. J. H. Mehl entertained the teachers of the Williams school very pleasantly last Friday night, at her home, in honor of Miss Minnie Anderson who was leaving the next day to attend the Tempe normal school. Lovely refreshments concluded a successful evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Finney came up from Los Angeles to spend the holidays with Walter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Finney. Walter is finishing his course in the dental college of that place.

Our College Folks Return

The Williams delegation to the state University returned in full force this week to spend the holidays in the dear old home town. Among the number are Misses Lenore Reese, and Margaret Duffield and Claude Melick.

NOTICE

Some of our good citizens do not seem to take seriously the matter of paying up their light and water bills before the 10th. of the month following service.

We hereby give you extract from Ordinance No. 101, Section 2 which reads:

All of the said and foregoing charges, (meaning light, water etc.) shall be due and collectible on or before the 10th. day of each month from and after the month during which such service has been furnished, and payable to the Town of Williams. And in case of any failure or default in the making of such payments, within said time, the said service shall be shut off, until the same has been so paid, and a charge of (\$1.00) One Dollar shall be, and it is hereby made for the restoration of the same, before the same shall be replaced or restored, to be paid by the person or persons desiring such restoration thereof."

By order of the Town Council
M. B. STARTZMAN,
Town Clerk.

EXTENSIVE CHRISTMAS EXERCISES AT SCHOOL

A great many of the patrons of the Williams schools joined with the children from many of the different rooms in witnessing and enjoying a varied and interesting Christmas program Friday afternoon. The program was given in the high school auditorium. It was made up of parts of programs given in the different rooms during the forenoon of the same day in addition to features prepared by the higher grades specially for the afternoon's program. The program appears below:

1. Christmas Songs—First, Second and Third Grades.
2. Play—First Grade American.
3. Play—First Grade Mexican.
4. Christmas Songs—Fourth Grades
5. Play—Fifth Grade
6. Play—Sixth Grade
7. Play—Seventh Grade
8. Play—Eighth Grade
9. Glee Club.

FOREST BOOKLET BRINGS BIG DEMAND

Albuquerque, New Mexico, December 29, 1922.—District 3 of the United States Forest Service which includes fourteen national forests in Arizona and New Mexico with headquarters at Albuquerque has issued a new illustrated booklet, according to District Forester F. C. W. Pooler. "National Forests of New Mexico", describes the Federal timber holdings within the State, treats of the recreation attractions of the region and touches on the archaeological treasures to be found there.

So popular has been the demand since it was first announced through the press recently, that requests for the booklet have been received from nearly every state and more come in almost daily. The District Forester states that it may be had free upon request.

The book contains general information about all of the six national Forests of New Mexico as well as many specific items of interesting information. The number of acres contained in the national forests; the number of thousand feet of saw timber; how many cattle and horses and sheep and goats are grazed; how much of the total forests receipts go to the county school and road funds in lieu of state taxes and a great variety of other things are told in the publication, which is known as Department Circular 240. It may be obtained without charge from the District Forester, Albuquerque, New Mexico or from the Forest Supervisor located at any of the following points: Albuquerque, Alamogordo, Magdalena, Santa Fe, Silver City or Taos, New Mexico.

Forty million dollars in treasure has been unearthed from Egyptian tombs. Those forty millions were no more help to the dead pharaohs than forty grains of sand. The thought that someday inquisitive barbarians of a later nation would so desecrate their graves, would have worried the pharaohs greatly. The man who has his remains cremated and the ashes scattered from an airplane, need have no fear of his grave being robbed.

G. R. Anderson, convicted murderer and train robber has been captured after 18 months of freedom. He escaped from the Texas state prison after serving ten years of a fifty year term. He will be returned to Texas as soon as he is able to leave a California hospital in which he was detained.

The hunt for Clara Phillips is still unearthing many rumors of clues but that is about as near to a real clue as the officers of the law have as yet succeeded in getting.

An official of the League of Nations asserts that labor conditions in Germany are better than those in France. That is one good thing about getting in debt—it makes people work.

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